

# MBS Summer School 2026 - FAQs

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## 1. WHAT ARE THE GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR TAKING PART IN THE MBS SUMMER SCHOOL?

MBS Summer School is designed for graduate and advanced undergraduate business students in good academic standing.

## 2. WHAT LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY IS NEEDED?

All courses in the MBS Summer School are conducted in English. To ensure participants can actively participate and benefit from the program, we require proof of English proficiency at a minimum B2 level according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR).

Accepted forms of proof include:

- Results that indicate a B2 level from standardized language tests (for example: IELTS, TOEFL iBT, TOEIC, Duolingo)
- University transcript showing successful completion of courses in study program where English is the primary language of instruction
- Certificate of enrollment from a university where the language of instruction is English
- Confirmation of native English speaker status (if applicable)
- An official letter from your home university confirming your B2 English level

If your certificate is from a different test provider than the ones listed above, you are welcome to submit it. We will assess whether it meets the B2 equivalency.

German language skills are not required.

## 3. HOW MANY STUDENTS CAN PARTICIPATE IN THE MBS SUMMER SCHOOL?

We admit up to 30 participants per module.

## 4. WHEN SHOULD I BOOK MY FLIGHTS AND ACCOMMODATION?

Please note that the MBS Summer School may be cancelled until May 16, 2026 (e.g. in case of low enrollment). Although this is unlikely, we strongly recommend waiting until booking non-refundable flights and accommodation until after this date.

## 5. PAYMENT CONDITIONS

An invoice for the administrative fees (EUR 220-660, depending on the amount of modules booked) will be sent out at the beginning of March or upon acceptance to the program. Only if the administrative fees are paid within 14 days will your spot be officially reserved. Please note that administrative fees are non-refundable, unless the program is cancelled by Mannheim Business School.

The second payment of the outstanding module tuition must be completed by May 15, 2026. If this second payment is not completed by the deadline, your spot in the MBS Summer School can be forfeited to another applicant.

For international payments, Mannheim Business School has partnered with Flywire to provide you with an easy and secure method of sending international payments. Flywire allows you to pay from any country and any bank and save on bank fees and exchange rates.

## 6. WHAT IS INCLUDED IN THE PROGRAM FEE? ARE THERE ANY ADDITIONAL COSTS?

The total program fee includes lecture tuition, course materials, lunch (Monday-Friday), company visits (incl. transportation), cultural activities (incl. transportation), letter of invitation (often required for visa), Wi-Fi access on campus, official MBS Certificate of Participation, official MBS Transcript of Records, as well as welcome and farewell receptions. Travel (to and from Mannheim) and accommodation costs are not included. We recommend to budget some additional pocket money for dinners and weekend activities.

## 7. DO I NEED A PASSPORT / VISA?

Yes, a passport is necessary for some of the company visits and of course for entering Germany. EU and US citizens can enter Germany with a valid passport. Citizens from other countries should check if a visa is required. Further information is available at the [German Department of Foreign Affairs](#). If you plan to travel to other EU countries, the Schengen Visa is recommended.

If you need a letter of invitation to apply for the visa, please let us know by writing us an email. **Please make sure to apply for your visa as soon as possible as German embassies are experiencing long waiting periods for visa application appointments.**

## 8. DOES MBS PROVIDE ACCOMMODATION?

No, participants must organize and book accommodation on their own.

## 9. DOES MBS PROVIDE HEALTH INSURANCE FOR PARTICIPANTS?

No, participants are obliged to obtain adequate health insurance before they leave their home country.

## 10. WHAT ARE THE TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS?

Laptop or tablet are necessary for collaborating on the group assignment and preparing your final presentation.

## 11. WILL I RECEIVE ACADEMIC CREDITS AND A CERTIFICATE AFTER THE MBS SUMMER SCHOOL?

You will receive an official MBS Certificate of Participation for each completed module. If you complete the program and final exam successfully, you will be awarded 3 ECTS credits and an overall grade. An according transcript of records will be sent to you and / or to your home university. The acknowledgement of credits is up to your home institution.

## 12. ARE THERE ANY SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE?

The University of Mannheim / Mannheim Business School does not provide any scholarships for the MBS Summer School.

Nevertheless, there are several individual scholarships offered by the [German Academic Exchange Service \(Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst, DAAD\)](#).